

Shipping

Steamers.

FOR SHANGHAI.

The Steamship
Nanyang,
Captain F. SCHULZ, will
be despatched for the
above Port on **MONDAY, the 29th Inst.,**
at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, April 26, 1895. 787

FOR SHANGHAI (DIRECT).
The Steamship
Lifoo,
 Capt. KLOFFER, will be
despatched for the above
Port on TUESDAY, the 30. instant, at
5 p.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
CARLOWITZ & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, April 25, 1895. 782

FOR KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.
The Steamship
Ormission,
Capt. E. OUTRAM, will
be despatched for the
above Ports on **TUESDAY**, the 30th Inst.,
at 5 o'clock p.m.

For Freight, apply to
NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
Hongkong, April 24, 1895. 773

FOR VLADIVOSTOCK,
VIA SHANGHAI AND NAGASAKI.
(Taking cargo at through rates to
COREAN PORTS).

The Steamship
Ghaeze,
Capt. D. S. BAILEY, will
be despatched as above
at 5 o'clock p.m., on TUESDAY, the 30th
Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
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Hongkong, April 24. 1895. 774

**NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE
ITALIANA**
(FLORIO & RUBATTINO UNITED COMPANIES).


STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, PENANG & BOMBAY.
Having connection with Company's Mail
Steamers to ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID,
MESSINA, NAPLES, (LEGHORN),
& GENOA; all MEDITERRANEAN,
ADRIATIC, LEVANTINE and SOUTH AMER-
ICAN Ports, up to CALTAO. Taking Cargo
at through rates to PERSIAN GULF
and BAGDAD.

The Steamship
Hornaday
on THURSDAY, the 2nd day of NOV.
At BOMBAY the Steamers are discharging
in VICTORIA DOCK.

For further Particulars regarding Freight
and Passage, apply to
CARLOWITZ & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, April 25, 1895. 788

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.
The Steamship
Bogetad
will be despatched as
above on **MONDAY**, the
6th Proximo.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, April 28, 1895. 785

GREAT NORTHERN STEAMSHIP
LINE
FOR PORTLAND, OREGON.
In connection with the OREGON RAIL-
WAY and NAVIGATION Co., and
GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY Co.
The Steamship

 *Chittagong*,
Capt. DAVEY, will be
despatched for **PORT-
LAND, O., via KOBE and YOKOHAMA,**
on or about the 15th May.
Through Bills of Lading will be granted to
all points in the United States and Canada.
Consular Invoices for Cargo to United-
States points must be sent to the Office of
the Undersigned, addressed to the Collector
of Customs, Portland, O.
For further particulars as to Freight and


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 Passage, apply to
SHEWAN & Co.,
Agents.
 Hongkong, April 24, 1895. 775

Sailing Vessels.

FOR NEW YORK.
The 3/3 A.I.L. American Ship
Sacchin,
BARTLETT, Master, will load
here for the above Port, and

For Freight, apply to
CARLOWITZ & Co.
Hongkong, M. Feb 27, 1895. 597

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

 The 100 A.T. British Ship
Queen Margaret.
FAULKNER, Master, will load
here for the above Port, and
will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN & Co.

Hongkong, February 28, 1886. 411

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any Debt contracted by the Officers or
Crews of the following Vessels, during
their stay in company, Harbour—

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MAX O'NEILL'S FIRST SNAKE.

Max O'Neill tells a humorous story of a snake in the "Ladies' Home Journal," a popular Philadelphia publication. Here it is in a condensed form:

"I have a perfect horror of snakes—these pests of central Australia. As soon as I arrived in the country, I made every enquiry as to the best methods of protecting one's self against the reptiles.

"Cover your legs with leather gaiters," I was told, "and then, with a good stick in your hand, you need have no fear."

"Then upon I was enlightened as to the infallible manner of slaying the enemy: 'Avoid placing yourself behind or in front of your snake—behind especially; but take it side on, grip it by the head and bring it down on its back with all your might. Bang!—there you are; you have broken its slippery spinal column, and your snake is soon as dead as a door nail."

Over and over again people said to me: 'Surely you will not return to Europe without being able to say to your companions: "I killed a serpent in Australia, and this is how it was done!"' Every one of them has travelled in far countries and is supposed to know more or less things about the matter.

All that is very well; but I am a prudent man, and I said to myself: "Instead of a Frenchman telling his fellow-countrymen how to kill a snake, it might just as likely end in a snake telling his friends and family how to poison a Frenchman."

This snake that I dreamed of all was the one which insinuated itself at evening into people's houses, glides into a bed-room and quietly curls up in bed.

I arrived one evening in a town situated in the interior of New South Wales. The season was winter; 105 degrees of heat at midday and 90 at nine in the evening—regular snake weather. Before retiring to rest on the first night I had a chat with the landlord, who informed me that the place was infested with snakes.

"The place is infested with snakes," he said, "and the place is infested with snakes. That very afternoon my boat had killed one measuring eight feet in one of the lower rooms. 'And,' he said, 'I have been told that the snakes are constantly getting into the house and hiding in the bed-rooms.'"

For an hour we talked snake. It was enough to fill my dreams with the most horrible, tortuous nightmares. When I left him for the night I was careful to leave behind his last words: 'I have been told that the snakes are constantly getting into the house and hiding in the bed-rooms.'"

As a protection for my head, and at the risk of suffocation, I drew the sheet over my face, and then, bathed in perspiration, I tried to forget in sleep the reptiles and imaginary snakes.

I believe I slept for a few minutes. The heat was such that I felt as if I were burning and panting in a boiling water bath. It was impossible to sleep, so I resolved to give my hands and arms over to the mosquitoes. Keeping the sheet over my face, I put my arms outside and laid my hands on the quilt.

No, really, I am not more of a coward than you, gallant reader; but then and there my blood froze in my veins and my hand down on a snake that was stretched out beside me on the bed! I had almost grasped it indeed. Yes, a snake, a real, long, round snake, cold and immobile as death.

Snakes are heavy sleepers, and this sleep profound. It was perfectly still. Gently I drew my hand under the sheet again.

The snake moved not a muscle, neither did I. What seemed strange to me was that this snake slept stretched out straight, instead of being curled up as its species generally are in repose. By means of an inexpressible movement of my knees I came to the conclusion that it must be about three feet long. This is the length of the terrible death adder. It made my poor brain reel to think that the horrible beast was there ready to give me my death when it should wake up.

A plan suggested itself: roll the quilt very softly, and, wrapping it over the creature, strangle it. Yes, yes, but the room was in dense darkness, and I should be running a great risk. It might wriggle itself from my grasp and dart its poisonous fangs into my arm.

Haunted by visions of Lococo, father and family, dripping with perspiration, this darkness multiplied my sufferings and made the situation seem terrible.

Then I had a flash of genius—think to the idea that death, caused by a snake bite, is painless. You go to sleep and do not wake any more, that's all. 'I thought of Clotopatra. Heigho! far better die like that than of gout or rheumatism.

Stop! A moment's thought and I had rather not die of anything else than of a snake bite. To die a painless death is dying all the same, and I feel so grateful to be alive!

I was going crazy, and I felt that a light was the only thing that could bring back my wits. I would have no more suspense. I would strike a match and have the enemy face to face, or rather on the side, as people had all recommended.

The snake was there at my side, still immobile, soundly asleep, never dreaming that a man nearly six feet, strong, healthy, and in the prime of life, was trembling at the sight of it.

I put out my right arm and reached the match-box that stood on a table by the bed, and after frantic precautions I succeeded in lighting the candle. The light appeared me at first. The snake would certainly wake up and the deed would begin.

The snake moved not.

I grew emboldened, and went so far as to kneel over my head and stroke a glance down the bed. There it was, sure enough, motionless still, and still as a statue as a serpent in imperishable slumber. I arrived at the edge of the bed at last and steadily looked at it. I was going to look for my trusty walking-stick, resolved to sell my life as dearly as possible. I looked on the mantelpiece, on the chest of drawers, on the corner of the room. Where on earth could that snake be?

I turned toward the bed again. I took up the light, and feeling now only

mere in full possession of my faculties, drew near and looked at the snake.

Well, well! Is it possible for a man to be such a fool?

"KISS ME, JACK, AND LET ME GO."

Once, long ago, I was witness to a dead in California. The two men had been friends, but had quarrelled about (of course) a woman. Splendid fellows both—strong, brave, and ambitious. As they stood in a clear space among the pine trees near Sacramento, pale as lilies, steady as rocks, weapons in hand waiting for the word, the rising sun shined straight into their eyes. The pistols cracked almost simultaneously. One man stood erect, evidently unharmed; the other fell upon his back and lay straight and still. Seconds, minutes, and hours passed. The man who stood, pale as lilies, mind as well as body. "No, don't disturb me," he said coolly to the doctor. "I am not hurt, and I shall die in five minutes. Call Jack and let me go."

A minute more and he was dead, with Jack lying on his back, crying like a baby.

After I have told you another and very different story, I'll show wherein they teach the same lesson.

There is no tragedy in this one, nevertheless it is of wider human interest than the other. A woman had been ill for some time, and yet they will appear to be nothing more than the jealousies of young men in love.

"At times," she says, "I suffered from pains at the back of the head, and a sense of weight, and I was very tired, yet it was not from work only. I had a strange feeling, too, of something hanging over me, as if some evil danger were about to befall me."

"My appetite was variable; sometimes I could eat anything and again I could not touch my food at all. But I was never laid up, as it is called."

Please note the last sentence. It may seem like the weakest but really is the strongest point in this lady's statement. We will tell you why in a moment.

"Still I was often in misery, and I got along fairly well until August, 1890, when I had a severe attack of rheumatism. First the great toe of my right foot and then the thumb of my right hand grew hot and painful. After a time the trouble extended to my back and hips. I could not straighten myself; I was almost bent double. Month after month I was like this, getting little or no sleep at night. In December, 1891, the pain almost drove me mad. My face was swollen to nearly twice its natural size, and my eyes were covered by the enlarged lids that I could scarcely see. In January, 1892, the pain in my eyes, and the doctors said I had erysipelas."

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12.—Daily Press Office.
85.—Dairy Farm Co. Office.
67.—Dairy Farm, Pok-fu-lum.

63.—David, A. T., Residence.
69.—David, A. T.
65.—Do. Aberdeen.
20.—Dick Co.

80.—Dr. Atkinson, Residence.
83.—Dr. Bell, Residence.
2.—Dr. Hartigan, Gantle and Steadman.
23.—Dr. Jordan, Office.

43.—Do. do. Residence.
56.—Dr. Steadman, Residence.
41.—Dodwell, Carilli & Co.
17.—Douglas Laprak & Co.

68.—Electric Co.
74.—Fletcher & Co.
43.—Gas Co., East Point.
49.—Do. West Point.

31.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.
6.—Gibson Co., Office.
7.—Godwin, K. & Co.
7.—Godwin, Kowloon.

33.—Do. West Point.
44.—Government House.
29.—Harrison, W. Stuart, Residence.
62.—H. & J. D. & Co.

101.—Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd., Office.
102.—Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd., Wharf.
8.—H. K. & Shanghai Bank, Peak Mess.
1.—Hongkong Telegraph.

13.—Hop Hing Hong.
26.—Hospital, Alice Memorial.
80A.—Do. Government Civil.
3.—Do. Police.

38.—Ho, Hongkong.
28.—Do. Mount Austin.
6.—Do. New Victoria.
20.—Do. Peak.

82.—Ho Tung, Bonha Strand.
77.—Do. Raza, Canton.
27.—Humphreys, J. D., Residence.
68.—Humphreys & Son.

30.—Imports & Exports, Office.
108.—Kaw Hong Tak.
104.—K. & S. Co., Causeway Bay.
64.—Do. do. Causeway Bay.

107.—Kin Fat Hong.
108.—Kin Fat Hong.
108.—Kin Fat Hong.
108.—Kin Fat Hong.

91.—Lauke & Rogers.
92.—Lauke, J., Residence.
97.—Lane, Crawford & Co.
89.—Layton, B., Office.

106.—Man On Insurance Co.
5.—Naim Wo & Co.
110.—Naval Yard.
109.—Naval Yard.

46.—Opium Farmer.
10.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
69.—P. & O. S. N. Co., Peak.
10.—Police Station, Central.

31.—Ray, E. C., Residence.
51.—Ray, E. C., Residence.
103.—B. E. Guard Room.
104.—Royal Engineers Mess.

45.—Rope Factory.
4.—Ramsey, Comde, R.N., Residence.
52.—Sailors' Home.
94.—Sutton, M. S., & Co.

90.—Schellhorn & Co.
49.—Shewan & Co.
10.—Sperry Flour Co.
61.—Stevens, G. L., Office.

62.—Do. do. Residence.
14.—Telegraph Companies.
51.—Tram Station, Peak.
93.—Tung Kuo & Co.

16.—Watson & Co.
53.—Webster, L., Residence.
70.—Whitby, W., Residence.
57.—William, W. H., Residence.

30.—Woolley, A., Residence.
63.—Wo Kuo & Co.
35.—Yuen Fat Hong.
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